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Hongkong, March 29, 1876.

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GEO. SMITH & CO.,  
Agents for China and Japan.

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NEW BOOKS.  
JUST OPENED AND FOR SALE.

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Hongkong, May 10, 1877. my24

FOR SALE.

HENRIO & CO.'s CHAMPAGNE,  
Carde Blanche "Dry."  
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JOHN DURAND & CO.'s CLARETS and  
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SHERRIES.  
MOULIN & CO.'S COGNACS, 1, 2, 3 Stars.  
BLANCHY FRENCH & CO.'S COGNACS.

JUSTUS LEMBKE & CO.  
Hongkong, April 9, 1877. my2

NOTICE.

CUTLER, PALMER & CO.'s  
Celebrated  
Brands of WINES and SPIRITS.  
Apply to SIEMSEN & CO.  
Hongkong, June 22, 1876.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY.

ON and after TO-MORROW, 17th May, till further notice, the PRICE of our ICE will be ONE (1) CENT per lb.

KYLE & BAIN,  
Proprietors.  
Hongkong, May 16, 1877. my23

FOR SALE.

THE IRON SCREW STEAMER  
"ALBAY."

THE above Steamer was Built in Glasgow in 1872 by Messrs DOBBIE & CO., under special survey of LLOYDS, and Her MACHINERY and BOILER were made by Messrs JAMES HOWDEN & CO., under special inspection. She was constructed to carry a large CARGO on a light draft of water and is well adapted for the Philippine, China, or Japan trade. She underwent general Repairs in 1875 when New SAILS, RIGGING, and a complete outfit were supplied by the HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, and in March of the present year her Engines and Boiler were thoroughly overhauled.

GROSS TONNAGE.—550 Tons.  
CLASS.—Built to Class 100 A at Lloyds.  
RIG.—Brig Rigged.

CARGO CAPACITY.—About 6,000 piculs, or 625 tons Measurement (40 feet.)

DRAFT.—Light 9 feet; Loaded 12 feet.

SPEED.—Eight knots on consumption of 84 tons of coals per 24 hours.

BUNKER CAPACITY.—75 tons coals.

CABIN.—Under Awning Deck aft; saloon, pantry and five state rooms, with accommodation for 12 first-class passengers.

MACHINERY.

ENGINE.—A pair of Howden's patent High and Low pressure Engines of 90 Horse Power nominal; High Pressure Cylinder 25 inches, and Low Pressure Cylinder 45 inches in diameter; Stroke 30 inches.

PROPELLER.—Bessemer Steel of 4 Blades, with One Spare Set of Blades.

WINCH.—One Steam Winch with Donkey Boiler on Deck.

BOILER.—One Horizontal Tubular Boiler 11-feet diameter, with 3 Furnaces, tested for a working pressure of 60 pounds.

MORRIS & RAY.

Hongkong, March 29, 1877.

FOR SALE.

A MARINE ENGINE of 20 Horse

Power Nominal, High and Low Pressure, with Extra SURFACE CONDENSER and TUBULAR BOILER. Consumption, 2 Tons per 24 Hours.

The Engine is quite new; was manufactured by Messrs Matthew Paul & CO., Dumbarton, and is now deposited in the Godown of the late firm of Russell & Sturges, Manila.

Particulars may be obtained on application to MORRIS & RAY.

Hongkong, March 29, 1877.

NOW READY.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE

CANTONESE DIALECT. Part I, A to K, with Introduction. Royal 8vo, pp. 202.—BY ERNEST JOHN EIFFE, PH.D. Tübingen.

Price: Two DOLLARS AND A HALF.

To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs KELLY & WALSH, Shanghai.

Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

For Sale.

LANDED EX S. S. "SCINDIA," &c.

Mixed PICKLES.  
White ONIONS.  
PICCALLILI.  
CHOW CHOW.  
Assorted SAUCES.  
Potted MEATS.  
Anchovy PASTE.  
Yarmouth BLOATERS.  
Tinned VEGETABLES.

Wiltshire Preserved BACON.  
PATE DE FOI GRAS.  
CHAMPIGNONS.  
Worcester SAUCE.  
Kippered HERRINGS.  
Fender HADDOCKS.  
Herrings & in SARDINES.  
Oxford SAUSAGES.

JAMS and JELLIES.  
Assorted SOUPS.  
Sausage MEAT.  
Minced MEAT.

OX TONGUES in Jelly.  
Corned OX TONGUES.  
Smoked OX TONGUES.  
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AVH GIN.

BASS PALE ALE, qts.  
Do. Do. pts.  
Guiness STOUT, qts.  
Do. Do. pts.  
S. Board's "Old Tom."  
AVH GIN.

"Allsopp" "kilda.  
Draught PORTER.  
Aitken's Falkirk ALE.  
"Royal Glendale" Do.  
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BASS PALE ALE, qts.  
Do. Do. pts.  
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S. Board's "Old Tom."  
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"MADURA,"

STANTON, Master, will load

here and will have immediate

despatch.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

MELCHERS & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, May 14, 1877. my22

Intimations.

DENTAL NOTICE.

D. STOUT intends visiting JAPAN shortly, and would be glad if those who wish to consult him professionally would make an appointment for an Early Day.

HOURS FOR CONSULTATION:

8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

No. 1, Alexandra Terrace.

Hongkong, April 4, 1877.

NOTICE.

MR. WILHELM CARL ENGEL-BRECHT von PUSTAU, Junior, and Mr. CONRAD MUNROE DONNER, have been admitted Partners in our Firm from the First of January, 1877.

WM. PUSTAU & CO.,

Hongkong, Canton, Shanghai,

Hongkong, April 16, 1877. my16

NOTICE.

LONDON & ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT INSURANCE CO.

THE BUSINESS of this COMPANY has This Day been Transferred to THE MARINE INSURANCE CO., of 20, OLD BROAD STREET, LONDON.

By Order of the Proprietors,

WILLIAM HUNT, Secretary.

137, Leadenhall Street,

LONDON,

1st January, 1877.

NOTICE.

THE MARINE INSURANCE CO.

20, Old Broad Street,

LONDON,

1st January, 1877.

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"THOMAS LORD,"

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and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

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Hongkong

## Intimations.

COMMENCING with the "GWALIOR" leaving Hongkong on the 2nd June, and until further notice, the Company's Mail Steamers from China will proceed to London via Suez Canal, calling at Southampton to land Passengers and Mail.

ADAM LIND,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, May 14, 1877. my22

## To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship

"CHINAKIANG."

S. ORR, Master, will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORROW, the 22nd Instant, at 10 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SIEMSSSEN &amp; Co.

Hongkong, May 21, 1877. my22

## FOR AMOY.

The Departure of the S. S. "ESMERALDA" for the above Port is Postponed until TO-MORROW, the 22nd Instant, at 10 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

A. MACC. HEATON,

Agent.

Hongkong, May 21, 1877. my22

## NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship

"VOLGA."

Captain ROLLAND, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd Instant, at Daylight.

H. DU POUHEY,

Agent.

Hongkong, May 21, 1877. my23

FOR SWATOW, AMOY &amp; FOOCHOW.

The Steamship

"NAMOA."

Capt. PUNCHARD, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 26th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK &amp; Co.

Hongkong, May 21, 1877. my25

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

S. S. VOLGA.

## NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. "VOLGA," from London, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before MONDAY, the 21st May, at Noon, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after SATURDAY, the 26th May, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POUHEY,

Agent.

Hongkong, May 20, 1877. my26

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

P. &amp; O. S. N. Co.'s S. S. KASHGAR.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel, from Bombay and Intermediate Ports, and in connection with the BOKHARA and THIBET from London, and PESHAWUR from Calcutta, are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Company's Godowns, at West Point, whence delivery can be obtained from this date.

Goods not delivered by the 26th Instant will be subject to rent.

Optional Cargo for Shanghai will be forwarded on by following Steamer unless applied for by the Consignees before Noon To-morrow.

ADAM LIND,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, May 20, 1877. my27

BARQUE CHINAMAN, FROM LONDON.

THIS Vessel having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK &amp; Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, May 21, 1877.

THE UNION MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned having been Appointed AGENTS of the above Company at HONGKONG and FOOCHOW, are prepared to accept Risks and Issue Policies by any First-Class Steamart, at current rates, payable either here, in London, in LIVERPOOL, or at the principal Ports of INDIA and the EAST.

BIRLEY &amp; Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, May 21, 1877. my28

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

May 20, Kashgar, British steamer, 1614, E. T. Baker, Bombay Apr. 30, Galle May 5, Penang 11, and Singapore 14, Mails and General. P. &amp; O. S. N. Co.

May 20, Volga, French steamer, 1063, ROLLAND, London March 31, Gibraltar April 5, via port of call and Singapore May 14, General. Messageries MARITIMES.

## ARRIVALS.

May 20, Esmeralda, British steamer, 395, E. Theboud, Manila May 5, General.—M. McG. HEATON.

May 20, Ling Feng, Chinese gunboat, Farrow, from Shanghai via Wenchow, Amoy, and Swatow.

May 20, Yangtze, British steamer, 783, E. Schulze, Swatow May 19, Sugar.—SIEMSSSEN &amp; Co.

May 20, E. von Beaulieu, German barque, 335, W. Schneider, Chefoo May 3, General. EDWARD SCHELLHASS &amp; Co.

May 20, Chinkiang, British steamer, from Canton.

May 20, Hongkong, German three-masted schooner, 220, Carl Oom, Newchwang May 2, Beans.—ARNHOLD, KARBERG &amp; Co.

May 21, Fuyue, Chinese steamer, 920, A. Croad, Shanghai May 17, General.—C. M. S. N. Co.

May 21, Flinstshire, British steamer, 1243, Thomas, Saigon May 16, Rice.—A. McG. HEATON.

May 21, Danube, British steamer, 561, Clancy, Bangkok May 16, General.—YUEN FAT HONG.

May 21, Glamis, British barque, 1150, John Key, Brisbane April 15, Coal.—VOGEL, HAGEDORN &amp; Co.

May 21, Rosa Botcher, German barque, 393, J. H. Schultz, Bangkok April 21, Rice and Teakwood.—Wm. PUSTAU &amp; Co.

May 21, Canaan, British ship, 840, J. M. Mansfield Jan. 3, Coal.—ORDER.

May 21, Chinaman, British barque, 690, McKenzie, London Dec. 18, General.—DOUGLAS LAPRAIK &amp; Co.

May 21, Caura, German barque, 689, G. A. Turner, Hamburg Dec. 15, General.—Wm. PUSTAU &amp; Co.

## DEPARTURES.

May 20, Channel Queen, for Amoy.

20, Hiwa Yuen, for Swatow.

20, Killarney, for Swatow.

20, Emma, for Whampoa.

20, Macgregor, for Saigon.

20, Woodlark, for Swatow.

20, Chariti, for Toulon.

20, Ningpo, for Saigon.

21, Gustav Adolf, for Tientsin.

21, Eudoxie Aphrodite, for Chefoo.

21, Douglas, for Coast Ports.

## CLEARED.

Albay, for Amoy.

Cairnsnur, for Hankow.

Ghuchow, for Canton.

Golden Horn, for Saigon.

## PASSENGERS.

## ARRIVED.

Per Kashgar, for Hongkong from Southampton, Mr and Mrs Blanchard, and Fleet Surgeon Drew; from Venice, Mr and Mrs Odell, and Mr Sarfitt; from Brindisi, Messrs C. H. Sanderson and H. W. Sanderson; from Gibraltar, Mr A. A. Olerio; from Bombay, Messrs Roushan, Shurrally, Lajeen and Munjee; from Galle, Mr Dalmage; from Penang, 95 Chinese; from Singapore, Mr A. Anson and 38 Chinese; for Shanghai; from Southampton, Mr and Mrs Gilmore, 2 children and a maid, and Mr Wakely.

Per Esmeralda, from Manila, Messrs R. D. Tucker, A. Coates, D. A. Smith, W. Johnstone, F. Worthington, and R. Moutte, 1 European deck and 200 Chinese.

Per Ling Feng, from Swatow, Mr Hart, Inspector-General of Customs and Staff.

Per Fuyue, from Shanghai, Captain Shepperd (U. S. Army) and 160 Chinese.

Per Yangtze, from Swatow, 21 Chinese.

Per E. von Beaulieu, from Chefoo, 2 Chinese.

Per Flinstshire, from Saigon, 2 European deck and 27 Chinese.

Per Danube, from Bangkok, 112 Chinese.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Esmeralda reports: Fine weather throughout the passage.

The Chinese steamer Fuyue reports: Northerly wind and fine weather to Tumabout, from there to port variable winds and heavy rain.

The German barque Esmeralda reports: Left 17th with steam lighter Pampanga in tow. On May 18th, in Lat. 16° N., Long. 118° 45' E. was obliged to abandon her, she being half full of water and unmanagable. First part light Southerly winds and fine weather, latter part S.W. and N.E. winds with terrific thunder and lightning.

The British steamer Flinstshire, from Saigon, reports: S.E. winds to Cape Padarao, S.W. monsoon to lat. 20° N., and thence to port strong N.E. winds with heavy rain.

The British steamer Danube reports: Moderate winds and fine weather to 20° North, then strong Northerly and N.E. winds with rain, to port.

The British ship Canaan, from Cardiff, reports: Light variable winds and calm, with a strong S.W. current, since passing through the Gaspar Strait strong E.N.E. wind and very vivid lightning for the last two days and nights.

The German barque Chinaman reports: Left London December 18th 1876, Gravé send 20th, Downed the 23rd; had then a succession of strong winds S.E. to N.E. to the Land's End; Dec. 26th experienced a succession of heavy westerly gales and very high seas to Cape Finisterre—ship lab ring and straining in a very serious manner; blowing a complete tempest at times with a frightful sea running, the rigging fore and aft becoming quite stark from the violent rolling, and we fully expected the vessel would go over the side. A very heavy sea struck the ship forward, carrying away the bowstays and staves in the bulkhead. Bad variable winds mostly from S.E. till January 23rd, then in Lat. 19° N. Long. 27° 15' W. got fresh N.E. trades to Lat. 4° N., Long. 25° W., crossed the Equator, February 4th, in Long. 29° W. and then had S.E. trades to Lat. 21° S. Long. 28° W. after which moderate winds W. to N.W. to the Meridian of Greenwich. Feb. 23rd crossed the Meridian of the Cape. March 5th had moderate and light winds, and very fine weather running down easting; sighted Amsterdam late; March 25th, had light variable winds and calms to 22° S. and a succession of Northerly winds to Lat. 20° S. and Long. 103° E. Reached Java Head April 6th, passed the Windhoer bound to Singapore and the Canaan for Hongkong, was then 8 days to Anjer with light Easterly winds, and strong current setting to the S.W., passed Anjer April 14th. Entered Gaspar Strait April 17th, had then a succession of calms and light easterly airs to Lat. 4° N., Long. 107° E. Sighted Cape St. James May 6th, and had light winds and calms up the China sea to arrival.

## POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

## MAILS will close:-

For SWATOW.—

Per NORMA, at 9.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 22nd inst.

For AMOY.—

Per ESMERALDA, at 9.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 22nd inst., instead of as previously notified.

Per ALBAY, at 10.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 22nd inst., instead of as previously notified.

For SHANGHAI.—

Per CHINKIANG, at 9.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 22nd inst.

Per KASHGAR, at 3 p.m. To-morrow, the 22nd inst. Late letters received from 3.10 to 3.30.

For YOKOHAMA.—

Per MALACCA, at 9.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 22nd inst.

Per VOLGA, at 5 p.m. To-morrow, the 22nd inst.

For HAIPHONG.—

Per Ship GUSTAV &amp; MARIE, at 3.30 p.m., on Tuesday, the 22nd inst.

For YOKOHAMA.—

Per TEVIOZ, at 4.30 p.m., on Tuesday, the 22nd inst.

For SAIGON.—

Per GOLDEN HORN, at 4 p.m. To-morrow, the 22nd inst.

For BANGKOK.—

Per ADRIA, at 3.30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 23rd inst.

For MANILA.—

Per H. C. M. S. S. MARQUES DEL DOURO, is postponed till further notice.

For HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Established A.D. 1841.

## 香港大藥房

A. S. WATSON &amp; Co.,

FAMILY &amp; DISPENSING CHEMISTS,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS,

IMPORTERS

OF DRUGGISTS' SUNDRIES, NURSERY REQUIREMENTS, TOILET REQUIREMENTS, ENGLISH, AMERICAN, AND FRENCH PATENT MEDICINES.

MANUFACTURERS

SUPPLEMENT  
TO THE  
CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, 21st MAY, 1877.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *h*, near the Kowloon shore *k*, and those in the body of the Harbour or midway between each shore are marked *c*, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.

1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.

5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Size	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
<b>Steamers</b>								
Adria	2 h	Breeze	Brit. str.	781	May 13	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Bangkok	23rd inst.
Albay	...	Lopez	Span. str.	480	May 10	Chinese	Amoy	Out of Dock.
Benarty	4 h	Potter	Brit. str.	1120	May 16	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Australian Ports	To-morrow
Brisbane	4 h	Ellis	Brit. str.	891	May 17	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Hankow	at daylight
Cairnsuir	4 h	Spowart	Brit. str.	1120	May 10	Holiday, Wise & Co.	S'pore and Penang	Sands' Slip
Cheang Hock Kian	...	Webb	Brit. str.	956	May 10	Sooon Cheong & Co.	Shanghai	To-morrow
Chinkiang	5 o	Orr	Brit. str.	789	May 20	Siemens & Co.	Coast Ports	To-day
Douglas	5 h	Plitman	Brit. str.	395	May 20	18. Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Amoy	To-morrow
Esmeralda	5 h	Theband	Brit. str.	920	May 21	20. A. McG. Beaton	Canton	To-day
Fuyew	4 h	Orcard	Chi. str.	1024	May 19	Wm. Pustau & Co.	Saigon	Cleared
Golden Horn	3 h	Alton	Brit. str.	1514	May 20	20. P. & O. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	To-morrow
Kashier	2 h	Baker	Brit. str.	971	May 18	Kwok Acheong	Yokohama	To-morrow
Malacea	5 c	Edmond	Brit. str.	1046	May 16	18. P. & O. S. N. Co.	Swatow	To-morrow
Norna	2 h	Walker	Brit. str.	606	May 19	Wm. Pustau & Co.	Foochow	Yahama & San Francisco
Oceanic	5 h	Jacques	Brit. str.	971	May 18	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Yokohama	To-morrow
Teviot	4 k	Parcell	Brit. str.	3707	May 18	18. P. & O. S. N. Co.	Mails, 28th	Yahama & San Francisco
Thingwalla	5 h	Nisbet	Brit. str.	1282	May 18	Melchers & Co.	Yokohama	To-morrow
Volga	6 o	Rolland	Foh. str.	1063	May 20	Measageries Maritimes	Haiphong	23d, daylight
Washi	5 h	Hunter	Brit. str.	285	May 19	Landstein & Co.	Saigon	To-day
Yangtze	4 h	Schultze	Brit. str.	783	May 20	Siemssen & Co.	.....	Repairing
Yottung	2 h	.....	Brit. str.	324	June 3	Kwok Acheong	.....	.....
<b>Sailing Vessels</b>								
Adela	4 c	Beattie	Brit. bge.	354	May 8	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	New York	
Albert Russell	3 c	Carver	Amer. bge.	762	April 13	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Cebu	
Alphington	4 c	Cunningham	Brit. bge.	328	May 10	Wieder & Co.		
America	2 k	Holt	Ger. sh.	1219	May 1	Siemssen & Co.		
Anna	4 k	Lessen	Ger. bge.	447	May 17	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Auguste	4 k	Thomsen	Brit. 3m.ac.	210	May 17	Meyer & Co.	Bangkok	Cleared
Aurora	3 c	Milne	Ger. bge.	295	May 3	Chinese		
Bouta	4 c	Steter	Ger. 3m.ac.	346	May 8	Eduard Schellhass & Co.		
Canton	4 k	Crantz	Ger. bge.	373	May 9	Siemssen & Co.		
Caricks	3 h	Car	Brit. bge.	916	May 10	Meyer & Co.		
Ceres	4 k	Specht	Ger. bge.	420	May 6	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Cheng Soon	2 h	Cheng Sang	Siam. sch.	200	April 20	Chinese		
Deutschland	4 c	Tiemann	Ger. bge.	269	May 6	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Haliphong	
E. von Beaulieu	4 c	Schneider	Ger. bge.	335	May 20	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	London	
Ellen Rickmers	4 c	Weydemann	Ger. bge.	307	April 28	Melchers & Co.	New York	
Esmeralda	4 k	Hansen	Ger. bge.	737	May 17	Order	Chefoo	Cleared
Fudoris Adolphine	4 k	Valet	Foh. bg.	254	May 15	Carlowitz & Co.		
Fabius	2 h	Stolze	Siam. an.	635	April 23	Kin-tye-loon		
Fleetwing	8 o	Guest	Amer. sh.	829	May 7	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
Gustav	3 c	Sorensen	Ger. sh.	227	May 16	Eduard Schellhass & Co.		
Gustav & Marie	4 c	Doose	Ger. sh.	345	May 6	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Hannah & Mary	8 o	Smith	Brit. bge.	366	May 8	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Hannah Law	8 o	Greig	Brit. sh.	1299	April 28	28. P. & O. S. N. Co.		
Helena	8 o	Snow	Amer. sh.	603	May 20	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	K'long Dock
Highlander	5 h	Hutchinson	Amer. sh.	1352	May 18	Captain	Callao	
Hongkong	8 h	Oom	Ger. 3m.ac.	208	May 20	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	London	
Hydra	4 c	Dest	Ger. bge.	785	May 27	Siemssen & Co.	London	Wanchai Pier
Iris	2 k	Ruter	Ger. bge.	506	May 18	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	London	Wanchai Pier
Lella Rookh	8 b	Hender	Brit. bge.	814	April 20	Mayer & Co.	London	Wanchai Pier
Leviadie	8 b	Meams	Brit. sh.	896	April 12	Mayer & Co.	London	Wanchai Pier
Loiterer	8 h	.....	Amer. sch.	45	Aug. 13	Insurance Co.	Haiphong	
Louisa	4 h	Schierich	Ger. 3m.ac.	245	May 9	Eduard Schellhass & Co.		
Lydia	4 h	Youngson	Brit. bge.	376	May 19	Order	San Francisco	
Madura	8 c	Stanton	Brit. sh.	970	May 11	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
Morning Star	2 c	Michaelson	Siam. bge.	570	May 9	Tack Mes	New York	
New Era	3 o	Sawyer	Brit. sh.	1060	April 25	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
Novelty	4 c	Colliver	Brit. bge.	375	May 17	Rozario & Co.	London	
Nyassa	8 o	Garnick	Brit. sh.	799	April 7	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Onward	4 c	Morton	Brit. sch.	210	May 11	Wieler & Co.		
Presto	4 k	Laidman	Amer. bge.	388	May 17	Master		
Rosetta McNeil	3 c	Brown	Amer. bge.	611	May 25	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
Rosina	8 o	Hansen	Am. 3m.ac.	406	Feb. 28	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Stracathro	2 k	Millar	Brit. bge.	1159	May 18	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
Towkbury L. Sweat	8 o	Griffin	Amer. bge.	560	May 7	Meyer & Co.		
Thomas Lord	3 c	Hall	Brit. 3m.ac.	1316	April 12	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Tullochgorum	...	Mason	Span. bg.	175	April 20	Wieler & Co.	Haiphong	
Villa de Rivadavia	4 c	Carmus	Brit. sch.	261	April 28	Brando & Co.		
W. H. Deltz	8 o	Endicott	Amer. bge.	487	April 19	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
<b>WHAMPOA</b>								
Christian	Stehr	Ger. 3m.ac.	282	May 8	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	Cape St. James		
Emma	Gran	Ger. bge.	340	May 21	Wm. Pustau & Co.	Tientsin		
Vesta	Dirks	Ger. bge.	302	May 8	Melchers & Co.			
<b>CANTON</b>								
Bombay	Smith	Brit. str.	749	May 9	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	Mails	

Men-of-war in Hongkong Harbour.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor-age.	Flag.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	H. P.	Date of Arrival.	Commander.
Ashuelot	5 c	American	corvette	1037	6	700	May 18	Geo. H. Perkins
Charybdis	6 c	British	corvette	1506	...	...	April 5	T. E. Smith
Curlew	6 h	British	gun vessel	774	3	160	May 4	E. J. Church
Fly	6 h	British	gun vessel	464	4	120	May 15	John Bruce
Hart	6 h	British	gun vessel	465	...	...	May 6	H. N. Hood
Juno	6 c	British	corvette	900	...	...	May 15	A. H. Boldero
Ling Fêng	6 h	Chinese	gunboat	364	2	80	May 20	J. Farrow
Magpie	6 h	British	gun vessel	774	...	...	May 2	Charles Vernon Anson
Marquez del Duero	K. D.	Spanish	gunboat	700	3	150	May 10	

According to the report of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company (Limited) the gross earnings for the second half of 1876 were £110,523, and the working expenses £57,267, including £23,688 for repairs. After adding the surplus from the first half of the year £55,948 £s. 3d. remains, out of which two quarterly dividends of 1½ per cent. (making 5 per cent. for 1876) are paid, leaving £6,011 £s. 3d. to be carried to reserve. The interruption of the Madras-Penang cable for seven months entailed, to it stated, serious loss, but the Rangoon-Penang cable, laid successfully on the 8th, provides an alternative route.

The *Kingdove*, 3, double-screw gun-vessel, Com. Singleton, recently returned from the China station, was paid off at Portsmouth on the 5th inst.

Rear-Admiral Rowley Lambert has been directed by telegram to proceed with the detached squadron from St. Vincent, Cape de Verdes, direct to Devonport, where a late captain of one of the ships of the squadron will be tried by court-martial.

#### Police Intelligence.

(Before James Russell, Esq.)

May 21, 1877.

#### PETTY THEFTS.

Woo Achi and Yuen Awong, coolies, were charged with stealing a pair of trousers from Low Aow. The 1st defendant was seen pledging the trousers in the Kung On pawnshop, and he said the 2nd had sold them to him. 14 days' hard labour each.

Chiu Atsun, shopman, and Foong Aheung, a boatman, were charged with stealing a blanket from the house of Lo Ayow, the Sergeant interpreter at Yow-mah-tee Station. The 1st defendant was sent to three months' hard labour. The 2nd was ordered to give security in \$25 for three months.

#### ILLICIT SALE OF OPIUM.

Tam Akwai, was brought up on a warrant for selling prepared opium without a license. Fined \$10, and \$5 was awarded to the apprehending Constable, Joseph Grimes.

#### WITHOUT LEAVE.

Edward Chebould, seaman, barque *Maud*, was arrested for having broken his leave. He was ordered to be sent on board.

#### DESERTION.

Wm. Henderson, seaman on board the American barque *Helena*, was brought up for desertion from his ship. He was sent to the U. S. Consul.

#### POSSESSION OF POLICE ACCOUTREMENTS.

Chu Afook, a farmer at Ma-tow-wai, was charged with having in his possession two police tunics, stolen some time ago from the Hung-hom Station. Inspector Cameron went to search the defendant's house for an old offender, but instead of the person he sought, he found the tunics. He stated that on the 13th April last, one police carbine, three blue tunics, one great coat, one cape, a telescope, and other articles were stolen from the Hung-hom Police Station. The defendant denied all knowledge of the tunics. Remanded till the 22nd.

#### LARCENY.

Li Akai, a married woman, was again brought up to answer the charge of stealing two watches, two gold chains, one ring and \$53 from one Thomas Delgado, a trader at Manila, who came here en route to Spaul. He stayed temporarily here in a house in Joss's Lane. During the night of the 17th April, these things were stolen from him. From something he heard afterwards, he went to the defendant's house, where she gave up a watch, which she said was given her by a Malay named Salle at Nagtow, in Chinese territory, she having accompanied him there and left him there to come back to Hongkong. This case first came before the Magistrate a month ago, and has since been remanded from time to time for reference to the Chinese Authorities through H. B. M. Consul at Canton, with the view of having Salle arrested. He was placed at the bar to day, but he was not apprehended in Chinese territory but in Hongkong and it is the complainant's own house, and it appeared that he had been harbouring him for the last five days. In remanding the case further till to-morrow, the Magistrate remanded the complainant for the trouble he had given to the authorities to look for Salle, while he was secretly keeping him in his house.

#### CHINA AFFAIRS AT HOME.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, April 18th, 1877.

Probably the last place in the world in which any one acquainted with the ways of Celestials would expect to find the Chinese Envoy would be at a popular lecture at the Polytechnic in London. A few days ago, however, their Excellencies might be seen at that institution in full force, listening to an address delivered by Mr. King, upon the optical apparatus which is shortly to be sent out to the "Polytechnic" at Shanghai. Sir Walter Medhurst, who has taken great interest in the Shanghai establishment, was present, and I noticed a large number of others connected with China. It would be rather difficult to say how much of the lecture their Excellencies understood. They looked however as pleased as they could, and would hardly have been Chinamen if they had been unable to hide any appearance of being bored while they were in theory being "entertained" with what everybody assured them was so valuable a scientific lecture. I imagine, however, that it must have been a little difficult for them to make much out of the foreign-devil experiments displayed before them, though it must be confessed they were of an attractive and beautiful character. To the unscientific mind, they consisted mainly of some very striking phantasmagoria displays and the effects produced were, if only looked upon as a matter of

mere colour, extremely beautiful. They were explained to be caused in a variety of ways by the action of polarized light; and I should think the experiments, if not the lecture, will be popular among both the native and the foreign members of the Polytechnic in Shanghai. I could not but rather regret that Hongkong is left out in the cold in this matter; and it strikes me that it would be an excellent thing to set up a similar institution in your Colony. Certainly the Chinese would appreciate it; and you have a great advantage in being able to assist it by a Government vote of a small sum. A room or two could no doubt be found in the City Hall, and the charge of the Polytechnic or whatever the institution might be called could probably be undertaken by the Curator of the City Hall, who has some taste for scientific matters and would probably devote considerable attention to it.

Your readers in Shanghai will be glad to learn that their late popular Consul Mr. (now Sir Walter) Medhurst was in excellent health and spirits; and appeared to take as warm an interest as ever in matters connected with China. He was, it is needless to say, quite in his element chattering in the Mandarin dialect with the Chinese Ministers, who I noticed treated him with marked respect.

I can get no further information with reference to the probable fate of the Convulsion. I believe it is being carefully considered by the Government, and that they are not quite satisfied with some of the concessions which Sir Thomas Wade has made. It is evident at all events that there is a hitch somewhere, and I should think it quite possible that it may be three four months before the matter is finally disposed of.

Old "China-hands" are pulling long faces at the present state of the Silk and Tea markets. Red Peacocks have been sold at 18/-, and Common Congou at 6/-d. *Sic transit gloria Kathare!* Possibly some good may come out of so much evil, and for once, the season may be opened with moderation in China.

#### China.

(News.)

We hear that the Hankow Tea Market is expected to open about the 15th instant.

We hear that the *Kiang-yuen*, which arrived yesterday (May 18th), brought down a crop of new tea from Kinkiang.

In addition to the steamers already reported, the *Hankow*, the *Glenartney* arrived last year, and the *Bramar Castle*, have gone to load tea at Hankow. As did the *Fawcett*, they came from Hongkong, and proceeded up the Yangtze without calling here.

(Courier.)

We hear that Hsi Tao-tai has lost his button, and is reported to be in danger of losing his head. His credentials from the Tsung-li Yamen were, we believe, all in order, but it seems that his method of carrying out instructions in regard to the projected loan was objectionable to the high authorities.

The arsenals of Shanghai and Foochow are almost at a stand-still for want of funds, as the general poverty is now afflicting all departments of the Imperial and provincial Governments. So far all the efforts of the needy provinces to raise loans in money or in kind have failed, as no foreign banks or capitalists will make advances at any rate of interest on the imperfect and uncertain security offered. It is certain that all the provinces in China, including even this favoured Government, have empty treasuries to meet the increasing distresses of the spring.

#### ARRIVAL OF THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. steamer *Kastgar*, Captain E. J. Baker, with the London mails of 13th April, arrived last night.

#### TELEGRAMS.

The following telegrams from the *Straits Times Extra* will be found to contain much full explanations of events which have already been briefly telegraphed to us through Reuter's agency:—

*Allahabad*, April 21.—Sir Lewis Pelly went to the Peshawar Conference provided with a treaty with Cabul ready for signature, the said treaty formally guaranteeing the Amercian British protection, conditional on the Amercian receiving a British Political Agency at Cabul, but the Amercian Envoy obstinately rejected the condition, bringing up, among other grievances, against the British Government, the Seistan arbitration, friendliness towards Yaqoob Khan, and sending presents to the Mir of Wakhan without first asking the Amercian's permission. As the second Cabul Envoy had the same instructions as the first, he was sent back.

*Kurrachee*, April 25.—Mr. De Rienzi, Executive Engineer, Sukkur, has been tried and fined Rs. 60, for assaulting a Police constable, and for drawing his sword. Messrs. Michael Anderson and Jules Victor, contractors on the Indus Valley Railway, have been sentenced to three months' rigorous imprisonment under Section 282 of the Penal Code. There was a collision yesterday between the steamer *Zard* and the *Bugle Sadr*. The latter sank immediately. The loss is estimated at Rs. 80,000. She was laden with cotton, grain, &c., and was bound for Bombay. Two deserters, presumed to be from the 56th and 83rd, respectively, have been murdered in Candahar Bazaar.

*Allahabad*, April 27.—It is now established beyond doubt that the Amercian Sher Ali was attempting, during the Peshawar Conference, to excite a Jihad in Cabul, his empty treasury probably suggesting this method of procuring soldiers. The object of the Jihad, whether against British India or not, is at present unknown. The Hussi Kehl section of the Pash Afridis are again giving trouble.

*Constantinople*, April 28.—The occupation of Galata by the Turks is denied. The Turkish forces have nowhere crossed the Danube owing to the rainy weather. The Turkish fleet has commenced bombarding Poti. The Russian troops have occupied Abraia and Giurgevo. The Turkish ironclad fleet (2 Ed. C. O.) is stationed off Galata, and the navigation of the Danube is stopped.

*London*, April 28.—The *Daily Telegraph* states that Russia threatens reprisals if the Khedive helps the Turks, and that France is trying to dissuade the Khedive, in the interest of his creditors, from assisting the Porte. It is rumoured that preliminary negotiations have commenced for the neutralisation of the Suez Canal.

*Constantinople*, April 29.—The Russian troops have occupied Ismail and Kilia. The Porte refuse to recognize the German protection of Russian subjects in Turkey during the absence of their own Embassy from Constantinople. The Powers have rejected the proposal for mediation made by the Ottoman Government. The King of Italy has declared his intention of remaining neutral.

*Bucharest*, April 29.—The Roumanian Chamber of Deputies has adopted a convention with Russia assuring the Russian troops free passage through Roumania and friendly treatment, the Emperor of Russia engaging to respect the integrity of Roumania. The Roumanian Government states the convention is justified by the attitude of the Porte.

*Malta*, April 30.—The Mediterranean squadron has gone to Corfu.

*Constantinople*, April 30.—The Russians despatched Kars at daybreak on Sunday. The result is not yet known. The Turks have issued an order for closing the passage of the Dardanelles and the Bosphorus at night-time. The Khedive, complying with the request of the Porte, has promised to send an Egyptian contingent, under the command of Prince Hassan Pacha his third son, to assist Turkey, but he will not touch the revenue, which he has pledged to foreign bondholders. A large number of Egyptian troops are already on the Danube.

*London*, April 30.—A royal proclamation, stating that England will observe neutrality in the Turco-Russian war, has been gazetted.

*Aden*, April 30.—A movement is afoot in the Greek Army to desert, and join in war against Turkey. The Greek Minister of War has warned officers against this movement.

*Allahabad*, April 30.—Amercian Sher Ali has been convicted of failure in his endeavours towards raising a jihad. He has met with absolute refusals from many of his Chiefs, some half-hearted consult others, but there is not the least likelihood of the movement succeeding. Throughout Kan-dahar, Herat, and Western Afghanistan, popular feeling is in our favour. The pacification of Khetat is no complete that the Chief of Sebe, in Afghanistan, seeks similar protection. The Amercian is intensely unpopular owing to factions, family animosities, extortion, tax gatherers, rigorous conscriptions, and non-payment of his army. The idea of a British alliance is growing among the Afghans.

Major Bolden, 68th Light Infantry, was mauled by a tiger near Manselburgh in Shapooria State, eighty miles from Nusserabad, on the 18th. He died on the 22nd, after the amputation of a leg. He was about firing from an elephant's pad, when the elephant swerved, throwing him into the tiger's jaws. Medical aid arrived after an interval of 24 hours.

*Constantinople*, May 1.—No important military operations on the Danube are expected before the end of May.

*London*, May 1.—Lord Derby stated that he had sent answer to Prince Gortschakoff's circular despatch justifying proclamation of war, and after the same was delivered would be laid before the House of Commons.

*Constantinople*, May 1.—Hobart Pacha has run the blockade of Russian batteries at Galata in a Turkish gunboat, and reports Russians are massing troops, laying torpedoes, arming gunboats, and that it is apparent that the point to which their operations are directed is the Dardanelles.

*Paris*, May 1.—French Chamber of Deputies re-assembled to-day. Duke Decazev said foreign relations of France were very friendly and that the policy of Government was strict neutrality and reserve in Eastern complications.

*Rangoon*, May 1.—A railway from Rangoon to Prome, 163 miles, was opened to-day. The Chief Commissioners, officials, and several merchants made a successful trip. A public dinner to celebrate the event took place this evening.

*Constantinople*, May 2.—No further news from the seat of war at Kars.

*St. Petersburg*, May 2.—Official despatches state that the Russians are gradually advancing into Turkish Armenia, notwithstanding the bad roads; also that the Russians have occupied Bayazid, the garrison, numbering 1,700 men, retiring on their approach.

*London*, May 2.—Result of 2,000 Guineas Race—Chamont first; Crown Prince second; Silvis, third.

In to-day's Parliament, the Government opposed and the House of Commons negative a motion to cease subsidies paid to Anglican and Presbyterian Churches in Ceylon 14 against 121 votes.

*London*, May 2.—Withdrawals from Bank for South America £50,000. Consuls

93s. Silver 64s.

*Berlin*, May 3.—The semi-official Provincial Correspondent lays stress upon the pacific yet admittitory character of the speech lately made by Count von Moltke in the German Parliament towards France, and states that Prince Bismarck has expressed his concurrence with von Moltke's remarks. The Emperor of Germany is at Strasbourg, and will visit Metz.

*Constantinople*, May 3.—The Turkish authorities have ordered the evacuation of the district around Tultcha. The Russians have blockaded the Danube below the Pruth with torpedoes, and vessels upward-bound are now temporarily ordered back.

*Aden*, May 3.—The *Sirat*, with the English mail of 20th April, sailed for Bombay at eight this morning.

*Constantinople*, May 3.—The Ottoman Government has proclaimed the blockade of the Russian littoral on the Black Sea.

*St. Petersburg*, May 3.—Russian official despatches announce indecisive fighting near Kars.

*Constantinople*, May 3.—Sey ul Kebir, the ironclad fleet at Ibrilia this morning, and after bombarding the town for two hours, withdrew.

*St. Petersburg*, May 4.—The Russian Army in Roumania is detained by bad weather; meanwhile, the Turks remain on the defensive.

*London*, May 4.—In the House of Commons last night Sir Stafford Northcote, replying to a question, said that England was not prepared to consent to the exclusion of war vessels from the Suez Canal, but that he would take the necessary steps to afford protection to the Canal.

Mr. Gladstone has notified his intention to move a series of resolutions on Monday, requiring the Government to continue exerting its influence on behalf of the oppressed Christians in Turkey, and to exact the needed changes in their condition, from the Ottoman Government. The leaders of the Liberal party disapprove of Mr. Gladstone's intention, and will move the previous question. The Conservatives are to submit a formal motion upon the policy of Government.

London, May 4.—A numerously attended Liberal meeting has been held to support Mr. Gladstone.

*Vienna*, May 4.—In the Austrian Chamber of Deputies, the Minister of the Interior replying to a question as to what policy Austria intended adopting in the Turco-Russian War, said Austria would observe neutrality, reserving to herself liberty of action to protect Austrian interests.

*Constantinople*, May 4.—Official Turkish despatches state the Russians are advancing towards Kars and that Ahmed Mukharr Pasha has left Kars to prevent the Russians cutting off all communication between Kars and Erzeroum.

*Malta*, April 30.—The Mediterranean squadron has gone to Corfu.

*Constantinople*, April 30.—The Russians have issued an order for closing the passage of the Dardanelles and the Bosphorus at night-time. The Khedive, complying with the request of the Porte, has promised to send an Egyptian contingent, under the command of Prince Hassan Pacha his third son, to assist Turkey, but he will not touch the revenue, which he has pledged to foreign bondholders. A large number of Egyptian troops are already on the Danube.

*London*, April 30.—The Committee of Council delegates of Egyptian Parliament, responding to an appeal from the Khedive, have decided on an extra war tax of £480,000 sterling.

The Khedive has informed the Sultan that the Egyptian contingent in Turkey will be increased to 12,000 men, and that the remainder of the contingent will stay behind to protect the Suez Canal.

#### Singapore.

(*Singapore, Daily Times*.)

It is our pleasure to record an act of benevolence and charity on the part of the Rev. N. I. T. Pinto, Vicar of the Portuguese Roman-Catholic mission. We are informed that, since the outbreak of the cholera, the Reverend Gentleman has always kept on hand a supply of cholera mixture, prepared by himself, and which he gave freely to any one who had recourse to him. We are informed that, in almost all cases, his treatment was attended with success, and saved many poor people from premature graves.

It is gratifying to note that the town is now reported entirely free from cholera.

His Excellency the Administrator has been pleased to grant to the Hon. H. Plunket, Superintendent of Police, Penang, six weeks' vacation leave and six months' leave of absence from the 10th April, 1877.

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Hongkong, May 12, 1877. my28

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